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NEGROES SELECT NATIONAL TICKET

Put up Scott of Illinois, Payne of Virginia as Candidates.

The Negro Liberty party yesterday nominated William T. Scott of East St. Louis, Ill., for President, and W. C. Payne of Warrenton, Va., for vice president of the United States. The choice of candidates was reached after a spirited contest, lasting for over an hour, during which the unanimous nomination was tendered to and declined by S. P. Mitchell, the Democratic chairman of the Liberty league.

The nominee for President is a native of Newark, Ohio, of free parentage, and 60 years of age. He received a common school education in the free schools of Ohio, and learned the barber trade. In 1862 he enlisted in the United States navy as a ward-room steward on the receiving ship Victoria. In 1863 he went to Cairo, Ill., where he opened a hotel, and later published Cairo Gazette, and established the first Negro daily paper in the country under that name. He has resided in East St. Louis for the past two years.

W. C. Payne, the nominee for vice president, is a native of Warrenton, Va., where he was educated in the common schools, and attended Wayland seminary, Washington, D. C. He is 37 years of age.

The Platform.

The platform advocates unrestricted suffrage for all American citizens, without distinction or qualification. It asks for the addition of two Negro regiments to the regular army, the promotion of the volunteer and regular officers of the Spanish-American war, and pensions. It urges non-interference in the affairs of the far East until the government is able to protect its citizens at home, advocates the governmental ownership of the public carriers, and self-government for District of Columbia, and appeals to all religious denominations to assist in the suppression of "lynch law."

Davis, the big burley leader, who lead the attack on the Court House ring, as he termed it, was very much in sympathy with these fellows he now cusses, but that was before (for reasons best known to himself) he severed his connection with the gang, as guard, its another case of sour grapes and ingratitude.

The legal adviser of the fellows who called the meeting on the hill the night before the election is reported to be in high glee over the defeat of the ticket and says, "de thieves, thugs and gamblers are beaten begad, sah." This poor devil seems to have gotten into the world wrong and we wonder that he agrees with himself he reminds us of the wondering jew, Isaac.

Dr. Sims was on the campaign committee, as a representative of the Lincoln club we presume well if the doctor worked a minute for the ticket we failed to see it. But maybe the god of the club gave Doc. the wink. There were some strange cards played and dealt in the political game.

The campaign lie that Shackelford refused to rent a house to a colored man because of his color kept at least 75 colored men at home, they refusing to go and vote; it was a member of the Lincoln club, child of the Lily-White club who helped to circulate the lie.

There are some Negroes who just left the twin hell a few years ago, who are now assisting the democracy; if that breed of race destroyers continue to come, it will only be a short time until the Territory will be turned over to the unwashed. Let some good brother pray that these cusses be taken home to glory and all will be well.

Last Spring we voted for members of the Roosevelt club because they are nominees of the party. We expected the same from them when a member of the Muskogee club was a candidate but the vote in the 1st and 2nd wards shows just where those cusses were.

In our opinion the Roosevelt club and the Lincoln club rendered great assistance to the democrats in winning the election. Its a known fact that members of the club refused to vote and advised others to stay away from the polls.

Isaac, the lawyer, is an amusing cuss; agrees with no one, and believes in like the old time hard-shell, "You can and you can't, you will and you wont, you'll be damned if you do and be damned if you don't."

HOT SHOT FROM MARK

ON THE ELECTION.

Mr. Editor:—It is said that sometimes politics has strange fellows and I am of the opinion that the saying is true. The history of the special election on Tuesday last, shows that politics does indeed make strange bed fellows. The Democracy in order to succeed for the time being, layed down its hatred toward the Negro, and the fellows who are usually called big burley brutes were transformed into associates. These burly heads could be seen in the hall ways and the private rooms and offices of their masters, mapping out a line of action and getting their thirty pieces of silver as the blood money for the betrayal of their party. The meeting on the hill was, in my opinion, was a result of unholy combine; and when this combination was made, composed of preachers, deacons and what nots on one side, and Democrat wire pullers on the other, the devil and all the imps of hell danced with glee because they knew this meant the minister and his dupes had sold and traded their birth right and immortal souls for a mess of pottage.

Time will tell how far reaching is the outrageous practice of these hounds of hell and their dupes. They are as dangerous to the body politic as the prongs and fangs of the most venomous reptile to the human being. They are real demons in the shape of men, and if not prevented, will carry the whole race of people to which they belong into perdition.

I am glad that the decent respectable christian ministers of our people were not seen on the street corners begging and bulldozing men for a few dollars and the sooner that class that paraded themselves in such a disgraceful manner are dead and in hades the better off will be the race.

If this is not sent to the waste basket I will come again.

William Hark.

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Kentucky School Board Bars Filipinos.

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9:30 a. m. and 8:5 p. m.

Ar. Ft. Smith—

12:55 p. m. and 11:45 p. m.

Lv. Ft. Smith—

4:00 a. m. and 3:15 p. m.

Ar. Muskogee—

7:31 a. m. and 7:35 p. m.

Lv. Muskogee—

6:25 a. m. and 6:20 p. m.

Ar. Wagoner—

7:10 a. m. and 8:10 p. m.

Lv. Wagoner—

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Lv. Muskogee—

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